

DEPUTATION MEETING REPORT

Date & Time:	28 th February 2024 @ 3.00 p.m.
Deputation Group:	Brookmount Residents Association
Deputation Attendees:	Charlotte Collins, Brenda O'Reilly, Jackie Dunne, Tony McHugh, David O'Reilly
Elected Members:	Cllr Louise Dunne, Cllr Mick Duff, Cllr Charlie O'Connor, Cllr Cathal King, Cllr Vanessa Mulhall
Council Officials:	Leo Magee (Senior Engineer), John Hegarty (Senior Engineer), Eamon Harnett (District Supervisor of Parks), Brendan Redmond (Senior Executive Parks & Landscape Officer), Fiona Hendley (Senior Executive Officer), Fionnuala Keane (Senior Staff Officer), Sean Barron (Staff Officer), Marian Travers (Assistant Staff Officer)

Cllr Louise Dunne presided.

Item discussed:

Issues relating to the barrier at the rear of the National Basketball Arena carpark, leading to Tymon Lane

The group expressed concern for the safety of residents and park users due to the opening of the barrier at Tymon Lane. Instances were cited where the National Basketball Arena had opened the gate after an event and while road works were carried out on Castletymon Road. One of these instances included a very large truck leaving the Arena through that barrier. The group queried why this barrier is referred to as "rear access gate" and why a private company has a key to this barrier. They expressed concern that Tymon Lane is unsuitable for vehicular traffic due to its width.

Leo Magee, Senior Engineer and Eamon Harnett, District Supervisor of Parks, replied to the groups queries.

Commitment given:

- Lock on the barrier to be changed within the next few days to ensure the Council are the only keyholders.
- Council officials to contact the Basketball Arena and inform them that use of that exit is not permitted and will not be allowed in the future.
- Discussion to be had in Public Realm, in consultation with Roads, regarding permanently closing off the vehicular part of the entrance. A decision would be issued in the coming weeks.

The meeting concluded as there was no other business